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This Jubilee Souvenir of Galt is respectfully dedicated to my fellow townsmen, with kindly thoughts and good wishes to all.

C. WILSON.

Vine Villa, Galt, 1897.

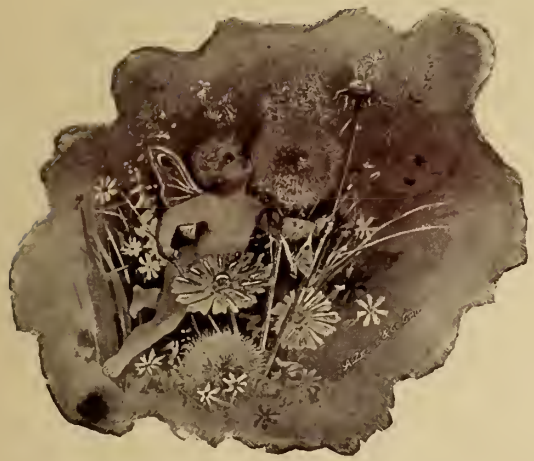
Very Sincerely Yours

C. Wilson

1897.

JUBILEE SOUVENIR OF GALT.

"Sounds which address the ear are lost and die,
In one short hour; but that which strikes the eye,
Lives long upon the mind; the faithful sight
Engraves the knowledge with a beam of light."—ANON.



THIS, the Jubilee Souvenir of Galt, is published in order that a record of the past may be of interest to those who now are occupying the places of those who have been called from the "stage" and have long since performed their parts—and performed them well—and of interest to those of us on whose shoulders rest the well-being of our town, and that it may be an humble momento of an enduring character. Convinced are we that none in our broad Dominion can boast of truer loyalty to home and home interests than the citizens of Galt, and with the immortal Scott we can say

"Breathes there a man with soul so dead,
Who never to himself hath said,
This is my own, my native land."

Hence it is not a surprise that we should know, and outsiders learn, that Galt should grow. Galt is admirably situated on the banks of the picturesque Grand River and

Mill Creek, both supplying an abundance of water power for nine months of the year—and much of it as yet unused—the residue quietly passing on its way to the great lakes untaxed with labor, a mighty giant on its play ground, and wondering why its willingness to act and work was not utilized. The situation Galt enjoys gives many advantages—educational, social and commercial—and it would be strange indeed if it did not grow. The important thing now is to see that its future growth be a healthy growth; that its progress shall be steady rather than spasmodic, and that its ambition and reputation do not fall from their high place.

Galt is an inland town about 57 miles from Toronto, and on the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and the Wellington, Grey and Bruce, Great Western Division of the Grand Trunk Railway System, also on the Elmira branch, of which it is the southern terminus. The town was originally part of North Dumfries Township, Waterloo County, and is situated 13 miles S. E. of Berlin the County seat. We boast of the surrounding country as of the most productive in the interests of agriculturists, indeed nowhere can better results be shown for the "soil toilers" than the bountiful, laughing harvests which are freely grown and thankfully received by them in their returning seasons. The town possesses flour, woollen, oat meal, planing and saw mills, saw and pin factories, foundries, knitting works, file and knife works, tanneries, and other industries of an extensive character. It also contains one Anglican, three Presbyterian, one Baptist, one Methodist and one Roman Catholic Church, one Separate School, a Collegiate Institute, and three Public Schools, some of these institutions possessing very excellent and valuable libraries. The town has a public library containing nearly 6,000 volumes and one of the most complete and commodious buildings, with geological, scientific and antiquarian departments to be found even in towns and cities of larger pretensions. The town hall, a magnificent stone structure, having a seating capacity of 500, has excellent acoustic qualities, and is fitted up with council chamber, police court office, and suites of offices for the various departments of the municipal heads.

There are three chartered banks and one private bank, each of them having managers who seem to be, and indeed are the right men in the right place, not only deeply interested in the discharge of their official duties but ever ready to further the interests of the town, and with Butler may say:

A. M. Newlands' Residence, Middleton Street.

W. J. Millican's Residence, Park Avenue.

"'Tis true we've money, th' only power
That all mankind falls down before."

We possess two daily and two weekly papers, the Reformer and Reporter, both well patronized and the food dished to their patrons is above the average, and under wisely guided pens and versatile brains, we are

"Blest by the gracious power, who taught mankind
To stamp a lasting image of the mind !
Beasts may convey, and tuneful birds may sing
Their mutual feelings, in the opening spring ;
But man alone has skill and power to send
The heart's warm dictates to the distant friend ;
'Tis his to please, instruct, advise
Ages remote, and nations yet to rise.—CRABBE.

We possess a magnificient, commodious and well equipped Hospital, over-looking the town. The location has been well chosen and the management is excellent. Already many have reason to thank the liberality of those whose means and benevolence were employed in its erection and maintenance.

As a shipping centre Galt has few equals, and the very excellent facilities are used in shipments of grain, cattle, produce, flour, and the voluminous products of the many manufactories. It is now connected with Preston and Hespeler by electric railway—one of the best equipped lines in Canada or elsewhere—connecting as its name indicates the three principal towns in South Waterloo. Connecting at the Galt depots with all trains on the C. P. R. and the G. T. R., the line runs through the busy streets of the "Manchester of Canada," out along the fertile fields of the beautiful valley of the Grand River to Preston mineral springs, the Mecca of the invalid and tired brain worker.

The line here diverges towards Hespeler and follows the interwindings of the romantic and picturesque river Speed. Midway between Preston and Hespeler is Idylwild Park, a beautiful and romantic spot, shaded

by an abundance of wide spreading maples and elms which throw a benign shadow cool, and refreshing, canopying the whole park, fit for a trysting place for Queen Titania herself. Nature has done much in her beautifying processes to make this spot an ideal resting place, such a place as old and young may have enjoyment at its best, and we can express ourselves here in Longfellow's words.

"This is the place. Stand still my steed,
Let me review the scene."

The wonderful progress the town has made of recent years is shown by the fact that its present assessed value is $2,859,758, upon which the rate of taxation is very moderate indeed. Seventy-seven years ago the place was almost an unbroken wilderness, known as "Shade's Mills," with here and there a building of very primitive construction. Its appearance in 1820, if put on canvas as a landscape view, would to our keen sense of its pretty and substantial makeup today, fill us of "Modern Times" with more than wonder. Time has worked wonders in its development of the settlement of the Township of Dumfries of which our town forms a part. In our looking backward on those early times when the Iroquois and the Six Nation Indians were reigning supreme and roaming with easy will as kings, though uncrowned yet could say

"My crown is in my heart, not on my head ;
Not decked with diamonds and Indian Stones,
Not to be seen ; my crown is called content ;
A crown it is, that seldom kings enjoy."

In those days the water of the Grand River was kept at work more than it is to-day in proportion to the town's needs now. Its waters run on, still willing to drive thousands of spindles or wheels. The requirements of the town for a water service have been made complete by a water works system, supplying an abundance for every purpose and of the purest and best spring water. The water supply being plentiful, the streets well supplied with hydrants, a fire has very little chance of gaining much headway. The town has a well-equipped fire brigade. The department is headed by Mr. James Curliss as Chief, who, night or day, on the first tap of

View from the Stand Pipe.

FUN AT HOME.

the bell, is on hand, guiding his brigade behind his charger helmeted in regulation fire-fighting style.

As a town we possess every business facility, a perfect system of telegraph and telephone connection with all parts of the Dominion, G. N. W. and C. P R. telegraph offices ; Bell Telephone, night and day service ; express, Dominion and Canadian Companies represented; numerous daily mails from all parts.

The climate is not only healthy but most enjoyable and invigorating. The health record is remarkable for its high standard, holding first place in Canada. Holding as we do this high standard, we think that life

> "Nor love, nor honor, wealth nor power,
> Can give the heart a cheerful hour,
> When health is lost. Be timely wise
> With health all taste of pleasure flies."—GAY.

The parks belonging to the town are not extensive. What they lack in size is made up by their situation and picturesqueness. High Park can compare well with others, located as it is on a high plateau, 78 feet above the level of Main street bridge, containing nearly one acre and a half, on the face of which are three beautiful terraces semi-circling the whole front, with three flights of stairs in the centre in sections, leading to an artistic and well laid out and planned park, with its beautiful flower and fern beds, soon to be shaded by young and vigorous trees. From this altitude Galt can be viewed as few towns can.

Dickson Park is a romantically situated resting place on the west side of the Grand River. This park nestles at the foot of a natural amphitheatre, where the multitudes can see and enjoy the fun and frolic which from time to time takes place there for the enjoyment of the people. This park contains about 12 acres.

Central Park is a beautiful triangular breathing place on central hill, Main street, shaded with trees, some of which belong to the primeval forest.

Queen's Square Park is another triangular spot, guarded by a monster Russian gun, whose mouth is wide open, yet it stands there in awful silence.

Our parks, lawns and boulevards appear at their best during summer ; June especially gives us a picture of perfect beauty. The residential parts of the town are girded, tucked and draped with soft foliage and

fragrant vines. The streets, hemmed, bordered and flounced with sturdy maples and horse chestnuts all in flower, added to a velvety, broad green sward.

"In every flower that blooms around,
Some pleasing emblem we may trace."

EDUCATIONAL MATTERS.

In the early days of the town's history the schools were conducted by those—whose work among the youth of the time remains as beams of sunshine in the hearts and minds of a few, who are yet among us, though young no more, and who retain kind remembrances of those pioneer days and schools. Among the most successful and most revered we mention the late Dr. Tassie. Great changes have taken place since then. Our institutions today stand unrivalled in our broad Dominion. The staff of teachers at present employed are pre-eminently successful. Every department is under the management of up-to-date teachers. Thus as time has passed it has worked wonders in the development of the profession; so as the "young idea has been taught to shoot," so have the opening minds of the young who—

Alas, regardless of their doom
The little victims play,
No sense have they of ills to come,
No care beyond today.—GRAY.

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D. Spiers, Chairman. John G. Dykes, Treasurer.

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D. Nairn, Miss Jessie J. Anderson, Miss S. Lees, Miss E. Addison,
Miss P. H. Rayfield.

DICKSON SCHOOL.

Thos. Ballantyne, Principal, Miss Ellen Cant, Miss J. J. Weir, Miss E. G. Peene.
E. J. Blake, Miss Bessie Meikle, Miss Hattie McNally,

VICTORIA SCHOOL.

A. W. Falconer, Principal, Miss Maggie Dickson, Miss Emily Scrutton, Miss J. Cooey,
Miss Jennie Ovens, Miss E. Jamieson, Miss May White, Miss A. M. Bittman.

SEPARATE SCHOOL.

Miss M. T. McCowell.

We look backward a moment and see the January of 1857 when Galt became a town, and with it comes divisions—showing perhaps features of passion and true spirit of variance of thought and expresson, working and making a substantial character in the

> Town divided, each runs several ways,
> As passion, humor, interest, party sways ;
> Things of no moment, color of the hair,
> Shape of leg, complexion brown or fair,
> A dress well chosen, or a patch misplaced,
> Conciliate favor, or create distaste.—CHURCHILL.

MAYORS OF GALT.

We give here a list of Mayors since incorporation.

Mayor	Morris Lutz	1857	Mayor	Adam Kerr	1870
"	" "	1858	"	" "	1871
"	" "	1859	"	" "	1872
"	Wm. Robinson	1860	"	" "	1873
"	" "	1861	"	" "	1874
"	" "	1862	"	Wm. Robinson	1875
"	John Davidson	1863	"	Richard Blain	1876
"	" "	1864	"	" "	1877
"	Morris Lutz	1865	"	" "	1878
"	" "	1866	"	" "	1879
"	" "	1867	"	David Spiers	1880
"	Adam Kerr	1868	"	" "	1881
"	" "	1869	"	" "	1882

Town Council, 1897.

Galt Fire Brigade.

Mayor Richard Jaffray	1883	Mayor William Lutz	1891
" " "	1884	" John M. Lumsden	1892
" Robert Scott	1885	Mayor Robert Gilholm	1893
" Robert Scott	1886	" " "	1894
" " "	1887	" Dr. Vardon	1895
Mayor John M. Lumsden	1888	" " "	1896
" " "	1889	" Dr. Radford	1897
" William Lutz	1890		

COUNCILLORS FOR 1897.

Dr. J. H. Radford, Mayor,
Thos. McGiverin, Reeve,
Robt. Fairgrieve, 1st Deputy-Reeve,
T. Vair, 2nd Deputy-Reeve,
Thos. E. McLellan, 3rd Deputy-Reeve,
J. W. Porteous,
Thos. Little,
J. McCartney,
J. M. Irwin,
W. A. Foley,
J. Robinson,
Wm. Mullett,
James E. Bond,
Wm. Cole,
Wm. Baird.

COMMITTEES.

FINANCE.
T. McGiverin,
J. M. Irwin,
Wm. Baird.

BOARD OF WORKS.
W. A. Foley,
J. McCartney,
Jas. E. Bond,
T. Little,
Wm. Mullett.

WATERWORKS.
Wm. Baird,
R. Fairgrieve,
T. Vair,
T. McGiverin,
W. A. Foley.

CEMETERY.
R. Fairgrieve,
Wm. Cole,
J. Robinson.

FIRE AND LIGHT.
T. Vair,
T. E. McLellan,
J. W. Porteous.

PARKS.
J. McCartney,
J. M. Irwin,
Wm. Mullett.

MARKET.
T. E. McLellan,
T. Little,
J. W. Porteous.

RAILWAY.
Wm. Cole,
J. E. Bond,
J. Robinson.

EXECUTIVE.
J. M. Irwin,
T. McGiverin,
W. A. Foley.

COURT OF REVISION.
T. E. McLellan, R. Fairgrieve,
J. M. Irwin, T. Vair.
T. McGiverin.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

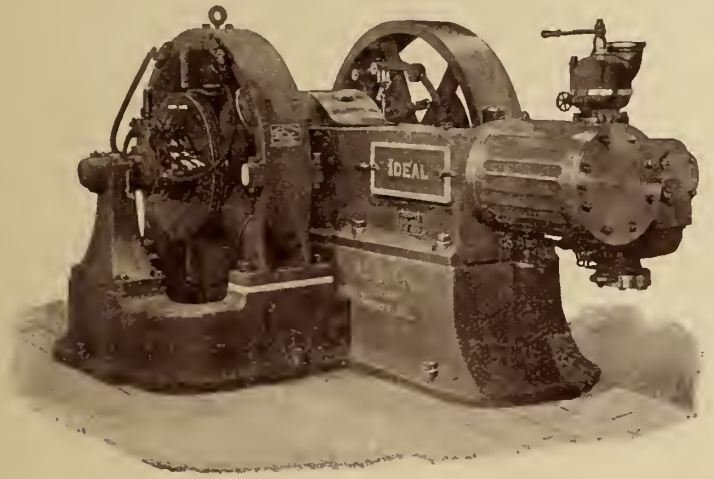
Dr. J. H. Radford,
W. A. Dennis,
Wm. Fraser (2 years),
R. Fairgrieve,
Theron Buchanan (1 year),
Geo. H. Stevens,
Robt. Gilholm (3 years),
J. S. Wardlaw, Med. Health Officer,
Adam Kay, Sanitary Inspector,
J. M. Hood, Secretary.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

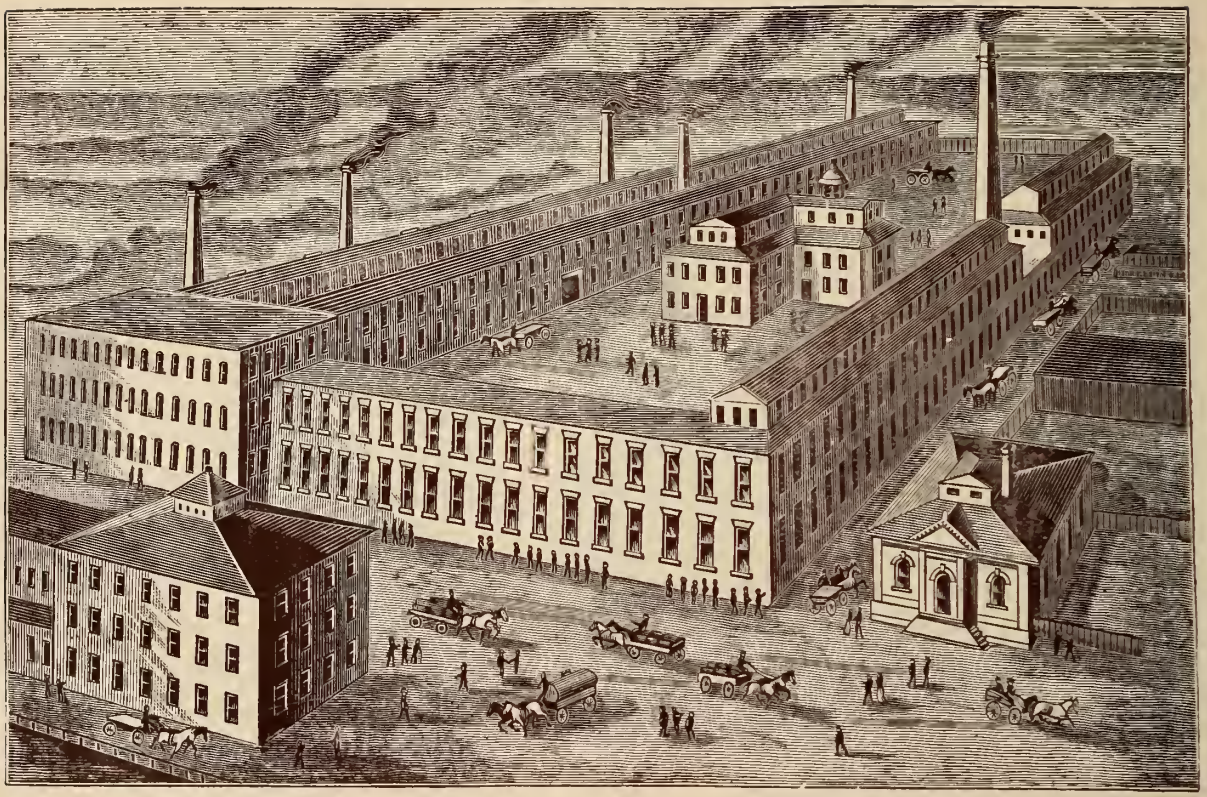
T. Carscadden, President. Miss Jennie A. Stewart, Librarian.

The Goldie & McCulloch Co., Limited.

There is no better known manufacturing establishment in the Dominion than that of The Goldie & McCulloch Co., Limited, of Galt. This business was originally established by Messrs. James Crombie & Co. in 1844, who were succeeded in 1859 by Messrs. Goldie & McCulloch. In 1891 a joint stock company with a capital stock of $700,000 was organized, the officers of the company being: Hugh McCulloch, Sr., President; John Goldie, Manager; and Hugh McCulloch, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer. The buildings and plant of this extensive concern cover four and a half acres, and from three to four hundred men (according to requirements) are employed in the various departments of the works, whose earnings (paid every two weeks) mostly find their way into the coffers of the different traders of the town, adding not a little to the well-known general stability of the merchants of Galt.



The general lines of machinery manufactured by The Goldie & McCulloch Co. are summarized thus: The Wheelock improved automatic slow speed engine and "Ideal" high speed engine, which they claim are unsurpassed by any other steam engines in use; Steam engines of various styles, adapted for every class of work; boilers and all modern appliances in connection therewith; wood-working machinery; flour, oatmeal and buckwheat machinery; wool machinery; saw-mill, shingle and stave machinery; turbine water wheels, all of the latest designs; fire-proof safes, bankers' safes, vault doors, etc., of every size.



The Goldie & McCulloch Co.'s Foundry.

Circulars and particulars furnished on application.

The gentlemen who own and control this extensive establishment are personally so well known throughout the Dominion that little need be said here respecting them. We may state, however, that Mr. Hugh McCulloch, and the late Mr. John Goldie, were both leading employees of Messrs. Crombie & Co., but Mr. McCulloch was the first to reach Galt in 1850. Since they assumed control of the business in 1859 their record has been one of continued success and progress, the result of their ability, energy and intelligent application to business, in conjunction with a fortunate combination of facilities adapted to specific fields of action. Nor have they given their attention wholly to personal affairs. Both gentlemen named have always taken an active interest in everything relating to the welfare of the community. In concluding this sketch, we wonld state that the relations between the proprietors and employed of the Dumfries Foundry have been almost invariably of the most pleasant and satisfactory character. All the members of the company are active and enterprising business men, liberal in their dealings with their employees and as members of society highly esteemed.

Galt Foundry and Machine Works.

This firm is conducted under the name of Cowan & Co. The members of the firm are William Cowan and Arthur B. Cowan. The business is an old one, having been established in 1842, the present proprietors taking possession in 1871. They have added largely to the plant, which greatly increases their facilities for carrying on the business, and ever since the phenomenal growth of business keeps further taxing their resources. The firm is popularly known as iron workers and manufacturers of the most improved wood-working machinery, Harris, Corliss and Slide Valve engines, boilers, and sole manufacturers in Canada of the celebrated Austin patent feed water heater, lime, mud and oil extractor, and condensor, combined heaters, etc.

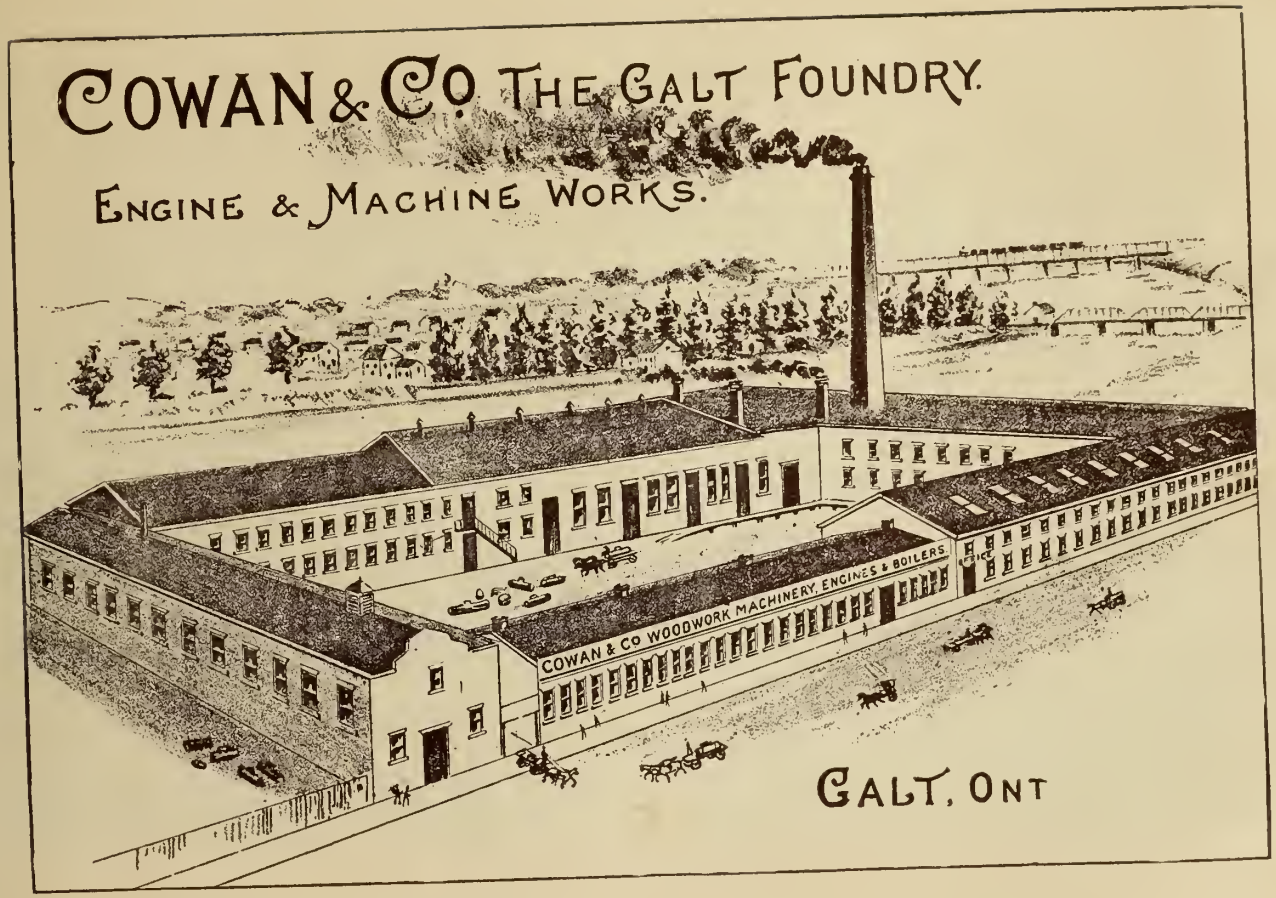
The main factory and buildings are the property of the company, and are substantially built structures of stone, two stories high and occupying an entire block of frontage on North Water street. The working force

consists of over one hundred hands, the greater portion of whom are skilled mechanics, in receipt of good wages, as may be judged from the pay roll of the firm, aggregating over forty thousand dollars annually. This large sum distributed, as it is, among the merchants means a great impetus to local trade, so it can easily be understood that the firm of Cowan & Co. are decidedly important factors in the prosperity of Galt. The trade of the firm extends not only over the whole Dominion of Canada, but their products find their way to many foreign countries, and while this is, of course, a source of profit to the firm, it also demonstrates conclusively that Canadian manufacturers are not inferior to any, and are fully capable of taking a front rank in the markets of the world.

James Cowan, Sr.

Some idea may be formed by outsiders of the immensity of the operations of this firm when we state that its yearly output is valued at one hundred and forty thousand dollars. James Cowan, Sr., formerly the senior partner of the firm, is a native of Scotland, but who is a pioneer of Galt, becoming an active and worthy citizen in 1834. Ever since, until old age unfitted him for life's activities, though even in his advanced years,

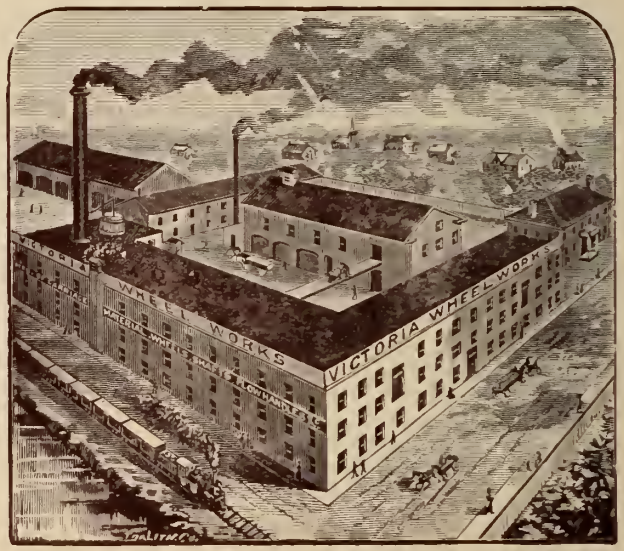
William Cowan.


COWAN & CO. THE GALT FOUNDRY.
ENGINE & MACHINE WORKS.
COWAN & CO WOODWORK MACHINERY, ENGINES & BOILERS.
GALT, ONT

still he manifests an interest in Galt. The other members of the firm are not only Canadians but natives of the town, of which they have done much to build up and develope, and they have ever been foremost in the ranks of progressive citizens.

.....Victoria Wheel Works.....

This extensive factory on Main street manufactures all kinds of carriage materials, wheels, finished shafts and poles, plow handles, etc. This is one of the largest businesses of its kind in Western Canada. It was established in 1860, and has been a success from the start, now employing some forty hands. The extensive concern covers a ground space of three acres, including the warehouse on Queen street. The goods manufactured by the firm find their way to all parts of the Dominion and even to Australia. The firm is composed of Robt. Scott, Esq., and his son, J. H. Scott. Both gentlemen are natives of Galt, and the son may be said to have grown up in the business, and is equally with his father familiar with it in all its details. Not only as a manufacturer, but as a citizen Mr. R. Scott has always taken a deep interest in all matters tending to the advancement of Galt. The high esteem in which he is held by his fellow citizens is shown by the fact that repeatedly he has been the choice of the people to fill important and representative positions, having served in the Council and filled the mayor's chair with credit to himself and honor to the town, and at the present time has the honor of being the first mayor of Rossland, B. C.

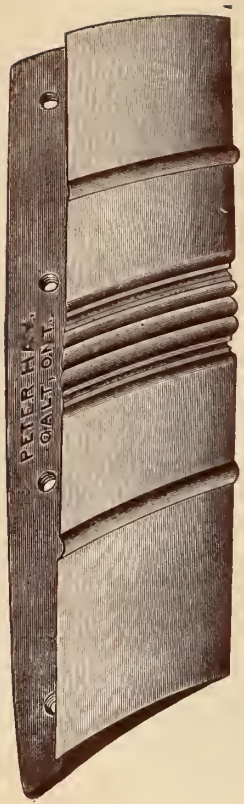


View from High Park.

Scene at "Idylwild."

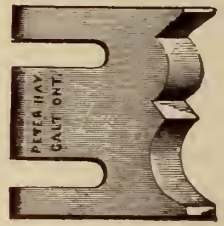
The Todd Milling Company.

This plant is located on Bruce street, and is one of the largest of the kind in the Dominion. The mill was erected in 1878 by a Glasgow firm, and purchased in 1886 by the present company, which is composed of Messrs. Thos. Todd, John Scott and Martin N. Todd. Connected with the mill is an extensive cooper shop, directly opposite the mill. The barrels are sent across by an automatic contrivance as soon as completed. The whole establishment gives employment to a large number of hands. The mill is a substantial six storey structure, built of stone, and has a capacity of 400 barrels per day. It is fitted up with the most improved machinery, and their brands of flour are eagerly sought after, as is shown by the fact that a ready market is found for their large output, not only throughout the Dominion, but in competition with the world in the market of Great Britain. The gentlemen of the firm are also interested in the social side of the town's welfare, and are greeted on every hand as men of the highest commercial standing. Mr. Thos. Todd is president of the Street Railway and Mr. John Scott is one of the largest and most extensive cattle exporters in Canada.



Galt Machine Knife Works

Among the many industries for which Galt is noted none have contributed more than the Galt Machine Knife Works, owned by Peter Hay. His manufactory has become a household word to the users of all kinds of machine knives, planers, moulding, shingle, tennon and mitre knives. In all parts of the Dominion where knives are used they are to be found. Mr. Hay's patronage is well deserved, wide as it is, as nothing inferior to the best is turned out. As a citizen he enjoys the confidence of his townsmen and is highly esteemed.



Scenes on Mill Creek.

IMPERIAL * HOTEL
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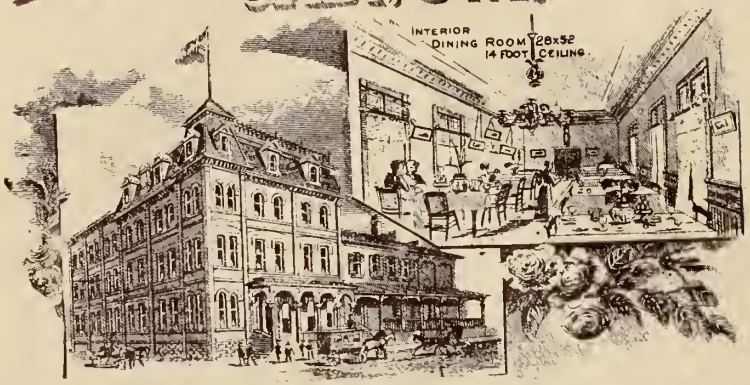
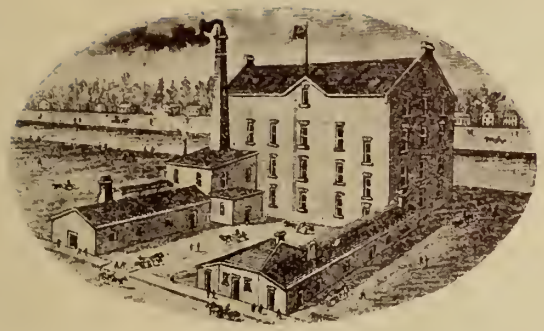


This hotel is one of the best known and most popular west of Toronto. It is well furnished and heated by steam so that every room is comfortable, even in the coldest weather, and is prominently situated on South Water street, just opposite the post office, and close to the business part of the town. The house was built in 1882 by the Imperial Hotel Co., and was opened by Mr. Isadore Eby and has always been highly popular.

It is a substantially four-storey brick building containing 48 large airy bed-rooms, six parlor and sitting rooms, six large sample rooms for use of commercial travellers, and a fully equipped billiard room. The large dining room has a seating capacity of 80 guests in comfort. The cuisine is not surpassed by that of any, which is ample evidence of the great care taken by Mr. Graham, or as he is best known as George. The name Imperial is just what the hotel is in every respect. Rates $1.50 and $2.00 per day. Geo. A. Graham, Proprietor.

GEO. A. GRAHAM, PROP.

The C. Turnbull Co., Ltd.



Of the many manufacturing enterprises that go to make the Town of Galt famous abroad as a manufacturing centre few, if any, have contributed in so large a degree as the one above mentioned. The product of the company consists of lambs' wool underclothing, hosiery, knitting yarns, etc., and one would have to search the Dominion through to find a larger or more complete establishment of its kind, or one better fitted with the latest and and most improved machinery for turning out first-class goods in their line. The commodious buildings occupied by this firm are situated on North Water street and West Main street, together covering a large tract of ground space. The factories give employment to over one hundred hands, and were opened in 1859 by Turnbull & Deans. The present joint stock company was formed in 1890 and own all the property they occupy, and their goods are found in all parts of the Dominion. The capital stock of the Company is fifty thousand dollars. Mr. C. Turnbull is a native of Galt, and is a young man full of vim and is one of Galt's best citizens.

Gore Fire Insurance Co's Block.

THE GORE FIRE INSURANCE CO.

Among the many institutions of which Galt boasts, none are more conspicuous than the Gore Ins. Co's palatial and imposing structure situated on the corner of Main and Ainslie streets. The style is of a Romanesque character, and is built with Connecticut brown-stone, rock-faced base up to the first storey window sills ; above this it is faced with brown pressed brick, tooled portage entry stone trimmings and Terra Cotta carvings. The corner of Main and Ainslie streets is round, having over the main entrance a heavily moulded arch, supported on two Doric columns, and over the arch the Company's name carved in mediaeval letters. This round corner is continued up above the roof, forming a round tower, roofed with Spanish tiles and terminating in a columned and octagon lantern, with ogee top and flag staff. Total height from the side-walk about eighty-two feet. The Gore has about 125 active agents through Ontario.

OFFICERS OF MANAGEMENT :

HON. JAS. YOUNG, President. ADAM WARNOCK, ESQ., Vice-President.

HUGH MCCULLOCH HUGH CANT ROBT. SCOTT
CHAS. MCGILL JNO. WATSON JAMES GOLDIE

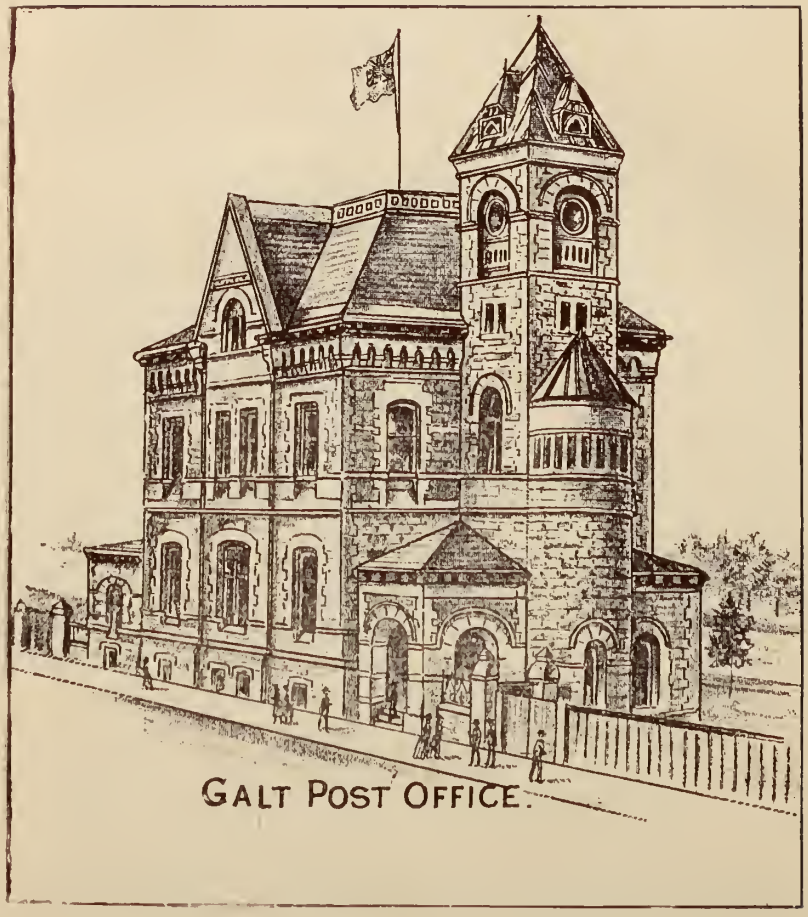
R. S. STRONG, MAN. DIRECTOR.

W. W. WILKINSON

Conducts one of those Mammoth Dry Goods, Millinery and Fancy Goods establishments which our town boasts of. Mr. Wilkinson has been successful, but this need not be wondered at when we consider the ability and practical industry enlisted by him and his obliging staff.

View of North Water Street.

Among the monetary institutions of Galt we pride ourselves of having a local branch of the Merchants Bank. The local office is in the Imperial Block, South Water street. The office fittings are of the most modern and improved style, making one of the finest offices in Western Ontario. F. S. Jarvis is local manager.



GALT POST OFFICE.

THOMAS COWAN, ESQ.

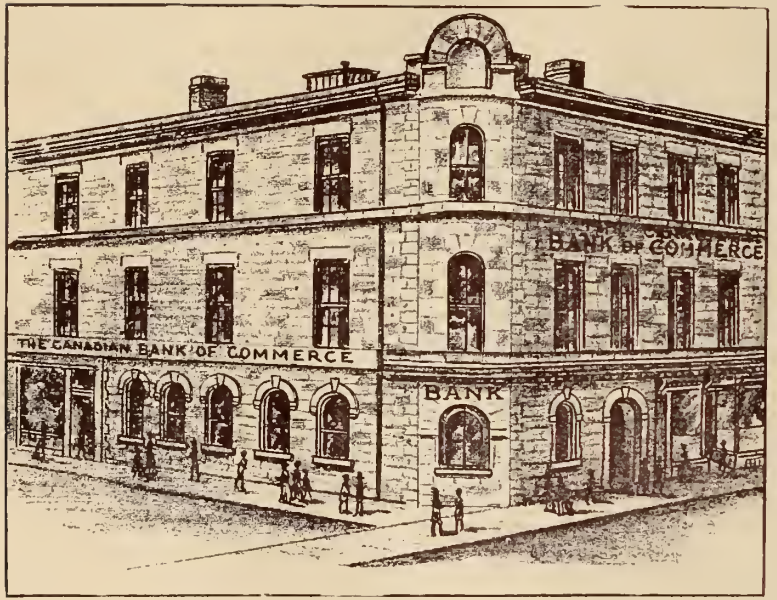
Galt's respected postmaster is a typical Canadian, first opening his eyes to the light of day at "Clochmohr," still the family residence, near Galt; and in his earlier years he acquired a thorough knowledge of farming, at the same time acquiring a good public education, which was subsequently supplemented by a course of study in a commercial college. While yet a young man he abandoned the farm and became a successful commercial traveller for the firm of Messrs. Lutz & Co., manufacturers of stoves and implements. Being a lover of home and its comforts, the hard tack of the road was sometimes more than he contracted for, and he sometimes felt like what is expressed in "As you like it."

> "When I was at home, I was in a better place;
> But travellers must be content."

His extensive travelling helped him, as a quick observer, to see the requirements of the people. This acquired knowledge in after life served him a good purpose. In 1874 Mr. Cowan became connected in business with Mr. Cameron, under the firm name of Cowan & Cameron, acquiring the business of his old employers, giving the name of the new firm, The Galt Foundry and Machine Works, which under the skill and management as senior partner the firm enjoyed uninterrupted prosperity.

As a public man, few have enjoyed greater esteem than Thomas Cowan. And now in his declining years he enjoys the quiet life of postmaster of Galt, his native town, and is deserving of the emoluments.

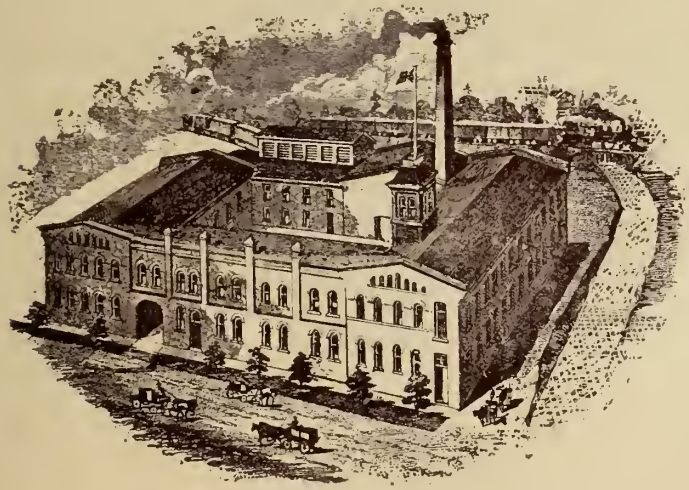
The Canadian Bank of Commerce.



Few institutions are of more service to the well-being of Galt than the local branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, whose office is situated on the corner of South Water and Main streets, in the Commercial block. The suite of offices has lately been beautifully refitted, and is now a credit to the institution and to our town. The local manager, D. H. Charles, Esq., is the right man in the right place, and one whose presence in the social circle always brings pleasure. He is full of energy and has the interest of our town at heart.

Newlands & Co.

Of the many and varied industries of Galt, none have been more conducive to its well-being than the large and well conducted manufacturing house of Newlands & Co. It is situated on Hawthorne street, and is a massive two storey white brick building, covering a large area of ground, in which a large number of experienced hands are employed in the manufacture of Saskatchewan Robes,



Buffalo and Astrachan Coats, Eider Downs, Jersey Cloths, Glove and Shoe Linings. Mr. Newlands is also identified as a member of the American Buffalo Robe Co., Buffalo, N. Y. The number employed here and elsewhere by Newlands & Co. is very large. The output of this firm is immense, reaching out to every part of the Dominion, utilizing in many cases the whole output of other large factories. Mr. Newlands is a "border callant," and one of our most respected citizens, and we say with Burns:

"Long may thy hardy sons of rustic toil
Be blest wi' health, and peace, and sweet content."

WILLIAM FOWLER, ESQ.

This gentleman manufactures Picket and Woven Wire Fences, Gates, etc. His factory is on Main street. Mr. Fowler has a reputation for doing first-class work, and his fences are to be found all over the surrounding country. His out-put is very large.

THE WILLIAMS SHOE CO.

Among the many concerns which make Galt prosperous, this young company is doing its share. The goods manufactured by this firm open up a new

field in the shoe line, being entirely new and specially adapted to rough work, and are self-adjusting, easily fastened, perfectly water-tight, fitting any instep, high or low. Mr. Williams began business in 1893 with seven hands, and to day the Company employ between 40 and 50 hands, and have a capacity of upwards of 300 pairs per day. The Company has lately purchased and now occupy the large stone structure formerly occupied by Stevens & Hamilton. It is now a Joint Stock Co., limited liability, with Mr. Williams as Manager.

A. W. FALCONER holds the position of Principal of the Victoria school, and for earnest, honest work he excels. As a citizen Mr. Falconer is held in high esteem, and wherever the town's interests are in question he is to be found in the front rank. "He who sedulously attends, pointedly asks, calmly speaks, coolly answers and ceases when he has no more to say, is in possession of some of the best requisites of a man."

HON. JAS. YOUNG'S RESIDENCE, MCKENZIE ST.

W. F. COBER

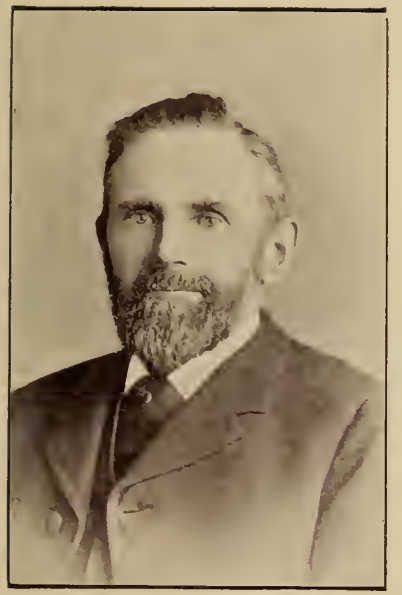
Fills the trusted position of book-keeper in the extensive establishment of the Goldie & McCulloch Co., Limited. This gentleman holds a high social standing, being one of Galt's most congenial spirits, possessing as he does, a more than common literary taste, and priding himself in his large and well selected library. Mr. Cober is a useful and honorable member of society.

J. & R. ELLIOTT

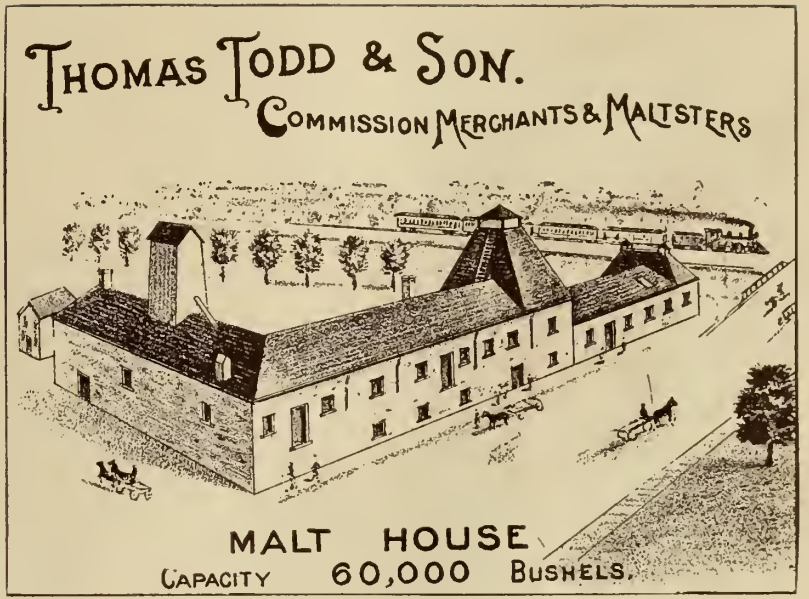
Manufacturers of plain and fancy soaps, lard and other oils. This establishment is large and well fitted for the business. The premises are built of stone, situated on Mill Creek, near the head of Main street. For a number of years this firm has conducted a successful business and by general urbanity and business tact they command the respect of the public and their patrons.

SYLVESTER MOYER, L.D.S.

Has his office in the Gore Block. The dental office of Dr. Moyer is one of the most complete to be found. The Dr. himself is a marvel of tact and industry, and stands to-day at the head of his profession, having the honor of being examiner in operative dentistry in the Toronto University and Dental College.



Thomas Todd, Esq.



A. S. TAYLOR,

Photo Artist.

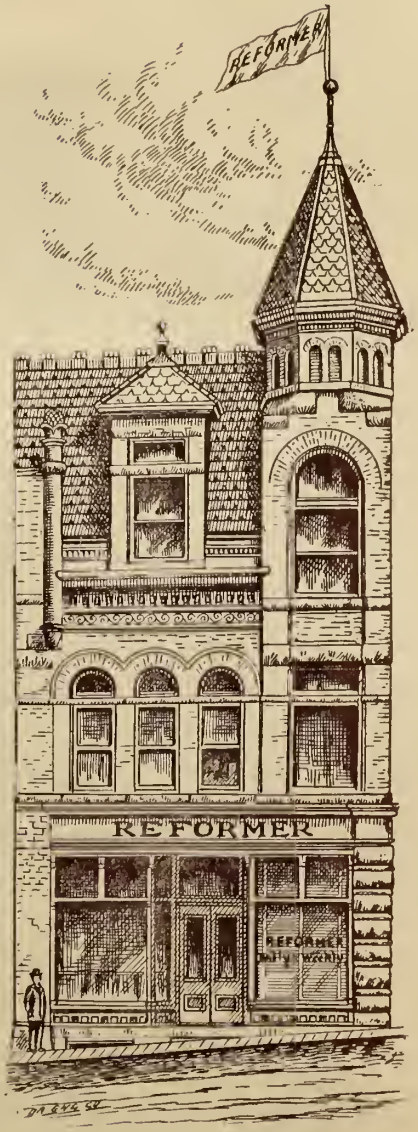
Studio over Coulthard's bookstore, Main street. Mr. Taylor is a young and rising artist of refined taste. Although but recently in business in Galt, his studio has already become most prominently before the public, and while "Across the singing waves the shadows creep," Mr. Taylor catches them as they fly.

W. J. MILLICAN, BARRISTER, ETC.

Has his office in the Commercial building. Mr. Millican has for nine years successfully practiced his profession in Galt. Though comparatively a young man, he is making his mark among us. We all feel proud of his relation to us as a Galtonian.

The Reformer....

One of the leading institutions of Galt is The Reformer, established in 1847 by Messrs. Jaffray & Ainslie. The Weekly Reformer has for years been the leading newspaper of Waterloo County, and is not excelled by any other weekly published in the Province. The Evening Reformer—Galt's first daily—was established in 1894 and is a credit to the town. The Reformer job department is well equipped, this Jubilee Souvenir being a sample of the work done. The Reformer is owned by Mr. Andrew Laidlaw, who purchased the business from Thos. McGiverin in 1892.



T. A. MENHENNICK,

Boots and Shoes.

This store is in the Wilkins' Block, Main street. For nine years this business has been a success. The man and the stock are without peers, therefore. success. Mr. Menhennick was formerly of Ingersoll, but finding Galt a larger and better field made an advantageous move.

JOHN S. HOGG, ESQ.

A young and energetic Canadian, and a native of Galt ; is engaged extensively in the coal and wood business. None better able or more willing to serve the public. Mr. Hogg is a leading member of several prominent societies, Masons, I. O. O. F. and K. of P.

GEO. BERNHARDT'S RESIDENCE, QUEEN ST.

T. LITTLE & SON

Furniture and Undertaking. This large and well conducted business is one of the foremost in the county. The stock is always large and well selected. Mr. Little is one of Galt's early settlers and has done much to make the town what it is. Mr. T. Little has held many positions of honor and trust, and in this memorable year is a member of the Town Council.

R. BRISCOE, Successor to Shupe & Briscoe.

General Dry Goods, Ready-Made Clothing, Boots, Shoes, etc., etc. Mr. Briscoe succeeds because of his goods, his place of business and his thorough, practical knowledge of what he does. Ever on hand, side by side with his large and obliging staff, ready and anxious to please. Corner of Main and Ainslie street.

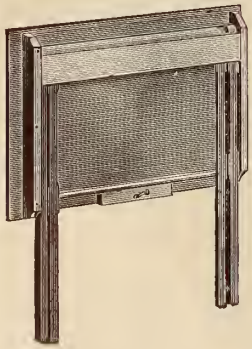
R. STRUTHERS' RESIDENCE, LANSDOWNE AVENUE.

ALLAN & McKENZIE

Dealers in general Hardware, Tinware and Stoves, Main street. This firm succeeded Mr. Trotter, who for many years supplied the country far and near with such goods as a first-class hardware store kept. None are better fitted than Allan & McKenzie to keep the trade, and if practical knowledge and willing hands count for anything then they fill the bill.

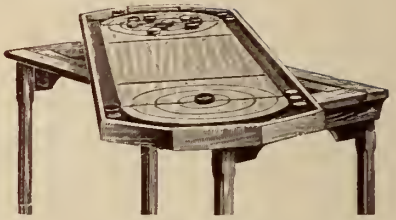
.....J. K. CRANSTON.....

Wholesale and Retail Stationer, Bookseller and Fancy Goods.

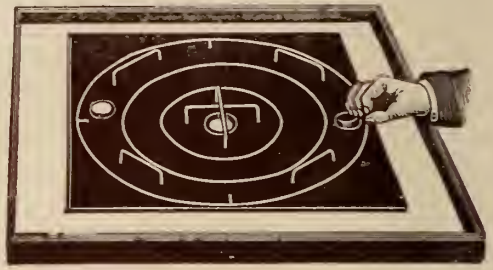


$1.50, $1.75, $2.00

Mr. Cranston bought this business 12 years ago, and it is now one of the largest of its kind west of Toronto. Mail orders are received daily from all parts of the Dominion for books and school supplies. Cranston's new patent games, Curling Without Ice, price $3.00, and Cranston's Improved Crockinole Board, price $1.00, have become exceedingly popular. Cranston's Patent Hingeless Folding Tables are the neatest and most substantial folding tables made. Merchants and dealers should get a supply of both games and tables as they are desirable and saleable articles. If your merchants don't handle them send to us direct for prices. Store, Young's Block, Main street.



Price $3.00



Price $1.00

C. B. LINTON'S RESIDENCE, PARK AVENUE.

C. B. LINTON,

District Manager of the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Co., of Waterloo, holds a high place in the estimation of his fellows, and for seven years has been an efficient and successful officer with the Company. Mr. Linton previous to entering the insurance business was one of Galt's most successful teachers. He is a fine type of what Canada is proud to call one of her sons.

ESSON'S ATELIER, PRESTON, ONT.

It is a fact beyond dispute that this is one of the best equipped galleries in the Dominion, and for fine work is unsurpassed in America. It is patronized by the best people from all parts of the Dominion. Mr. Esson enjoys the distinction of being photo artist to royalty, hence for fine work, there is no reason why we should go elsewhere. He has the high reputation for producing the finest stereoscopic views of natural scenery, and his comic slides are in great variety, so with his rare novelties in the photographic art line, and like his Atelier, enjoy a wide popularity in Canada and Great Britain. Call and see his work. You are welcome. Private engagements if required. Telephone and electric car convenience.

J. D. MOORE, M. P. P. FOR S. WATERLOO.

Mr. Moore is a splendid specimen of Canadian vim, and is yet a young man; born in 1843, employing the greater part of his life as a farmer, yet finding time to serve his fellowmen, in almost every public capacity. At the present time he represents South Waterloo in the Provincial Legislature.

Colvin & Fraser, Wholesale and Retail Hardware, Etc.

Their store is on Dickson street; warehouses No. 2 Hawthorn street; 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 Walnut street. This house is one of the oldest and most reliable in the trade west of Toronto. Fifty years ago Mr. James Warnock began or organized this business, continuing until 1881, when Mr. A. C. Fraser entered the firm. This partnership continued until 1887, when Mr. Warnock retired. Mr. Fraser continued the business when Mr. Colvin entered the firm, the business being removed to the present large premises. The firm make a specialty of heavy hardware, bar iron, steel and blacksmiths' supplies, and carry a heavy stock in these lines. They are also heavy dealers in coal, wood, fire-brick and oils. Their coal houses have a capacity of some 15,000 tons. Mr. Fraser is a native of the Granite City, in Scotland, coming to Canada in 1863. Mr. Colvin is a native Canadian, born near Galt. Both gentlemen by virtue of their proud nationality are the material of which sterling men are made, rising from the ranks as they have to the proud position they hold, not only as business men, but in social circles as well. Mr. Fraser is chairman of the Board of Management of Knox church and Mr. Colvin is Secretary of the Board of Management of Central Presbyterian church.

DAVID SPIERS, ESQ.

Is one of the pioneers of Galt and a citizen held in the highest esteem by his fellows, having been identified with the interests of the town in almost every public capacity since 1852. As merchant, manufacturer and private citizen, Mr. Spiers was to be found in the front. Some 20 years has he served on the Council Board, and filled the Mayor's chair for 3 years. Closely identified with educational and social interests, a member of G. C. I. Board for 20 years, and enjoys the honor as chairman in this the Jubilee year. He is also president of the Hospital Board, president and manager of the Gas and Electric Light Co., a director of the G. P. & H. S. R. R., and one of the original promoters of the road. Although Mr. Spiers is so engaged in business, he is always ready to help. We can only say he is a busy, useful man, and Galt knows it.

THE GALT HOSPITAL.

It differs from most institutions of the kind, as it has not been constructed by the municipal authorities, but is the result of private benevolence and enterprise. It is a spacious three storey stone building, well situated on Sprague street, on the crest of one of the many hills among which Galt is located, and commanding a beautiful view of the town and romantic windings of the Grand River, which from this point, appears at its best. There are in the Hospital a number of private rooms for the use of patients who can afford to pay, while there are nearly twenty rooms in all. The Hospital is managed by a lady superintendent and a staff of physicians, the business details being left to a board or trust committee, selected by those who support it. Few in Canada can boast of such a noble charity. All honor to Galt and its liberal citizens who have provided such a refuge for the sick.

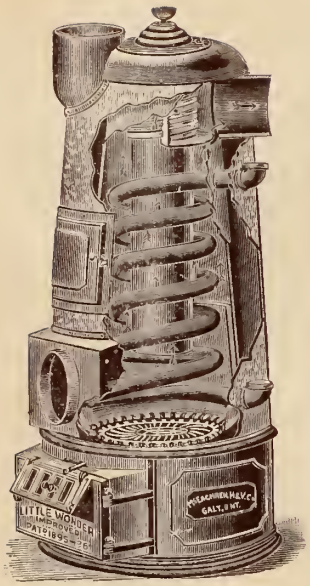
D. SPIERS, President. W. H. LUTZ, Secretary.

The McEachren Heating and Ventilating Co.

This is a young and enterprising firm doing business in the large, substantial brick building on West Main street, formerly occupied by Messrs. Cant Bros. This firm is engaged in the manufacture of heating and ventilating appliances. The heating appliance is a new and wonderful one indeed, and is well named The Little Wonder, and takes its name for the following reasons :

1st.—It is the smallest hot water boiler in the market of equal heating capacity.

2nd.—It is the wonder of all who see it, that such a small boiler using such a small quanity of fuel, should heat such a large space, and get up the required heat so quickly.



3rd.—All practical observers wonder at such an efficient, neat and durable hot water heating system being supplied at such a small cost.

It is held by patents issued in 1885, and are stamped "Little Wonder, J. D. McEachren, Galt, Ont., Pat. 1895." The firm has been in existence since May 1896. The large experience and inventive genius of Mr. J. D. McEachren, and the young vim of Mr. W. D. Sheldon assure the success of the new firm beyond a peradventure.

TOLTON & McKAY

Manufacturers of Fine Shirts, Night Robes, etc., began business in 1893. Their present premises are situated on North Water street, in a fine red brick building, which makes a handsome factory. This firm employs a large staff of hands, who are

kept busy all the year round. Their goods are popular and find their way to every part of the Dominion. Both members of the firm are hustling young Canadians of sterling character and have become famous as cyclists. They are also large dealers in bicycles and bicycle repairs.

View of the Town from Dickson's Hill.

W. T. Walker's Residence, McKenzie Street.

....TWO SONS OF CANADA....

WM. FULTON.
(THE SHAMROCK)
Town Ticket Agent C. P. R.

H. D. McCONAHIE.
(THE THISTLE)
Representative of McColl Bros. & Co's Oils.

Galt Business College

W. Brooks.

This institution is located in very handsome rooms in the Struthers Block, on Main street, and under the able management of W. Brooks, a young and very energetic Canadian of large experience in the best institutions of the kind on the continent, and is in affiliation with the Hamilton Business College, whose principal is W. H. McCulloch, one of Canada's best instructors. The combination of talent and experience gives an assurance to the public that no institution of the kind offers better teaching facilities than the Galt Business College. Young men and women are fitted here for any position in life where a practical education is required. What better gift can a parent or guardian give to the young man or young woman under their care, than a practical education which will enable its possessor to step into the 20th century with that degree of confidence which is so necessary to those who desire to succeed.

Mr. Brooks, though yet quite a young man, has had a wide experience which gives him an accurate knowledge of human nature and the customs of the business and social world, and of his chosen profession. He has always been an earnest advocate of good writing and an ardent lover of artistic penmanship. The skill displayed in the execution of some of his productions from the pen entitles him to a first place among writers and pen artists of to-day. As an all-round educator he stands in the front.

"'Tis hard to say, if greater want of skill
Appear in writing or in judging ill."—Pope.

W. McCulloch.

Main Street, Looking West.

"Vine Villa," Cornelius Wilson's Residence, Ann Street.

SMITH & HUNTER

Bakers and confectioners, North Water street. This firm enjoys the confidence of the public, not only as citizens, but because of good bread. Mr. Smith is a native of Aberdeen, Scotland, bringing an experience of much value to the firm. Mr. Hunter is a native of Galt. They began business here in 1890, and to-day their trade and reputation is noteworthy. As citizens, like their bread, they are regarded as more than good.

METHODIST CHURCH.

WILLIAM DEAN'S RESIDENCE, Blair Road.

Wm. Deans, Esq., Secretary of the N. D. and S. W. F. M. F. Ins. Co., has his office in the Masonic Building, Main St. This position he has held for twelve years to the entire satisfaction of the Company. Mr. Deans is an expert of no small order, in the insurance business, and the Company in whose employ he is are to be congratulated. He is a typical Canadian, born near Paris, Ont., in 1847, and one of our most congenial and worthy citizens.

KNOX CHURCH.

R. G. STRUTHERS' BLOCK, MAIN ST.

Mr. Struthers is one of Galt's representative men, born at Ayr in 1856, and for nearly a quarter of century a prominent resident of Galt, having been engaged in the flour, feed, grain and seed trade. He has also become a large real estate owner. Mr. Struthers built and owns that fine red brick block on Main street, known as the Struthers' Block. He also manufactures and controls that wonderful cattle condiment, which has become so universally used by cattlemen. As a philanthropist Mr. Struthers has few peers.

Geo. W. Robinson

General Dry Goods, Furnishings, Boots and Shoes, Fancy Goods, Crockery and Glassware.

This establishment, situated on Main Street, is one of the model institutions of Galt. Money and energy are employed to their utmost to give the public all the advantages these commodities have the power to give. Mr. Robinson has the good fortune of being experienced in every department, and has a staff of polite, pains-taking help who seem to understand human nature. This house succeeds with a capital S.

JAS. S. WARDLAW, M. D.

Few professional men have enjoyed the experiences of Dr. Wardlaw. In his younger years he became a practical engineer and was engaged in the East India Reserve as engineer remaining in India for four years. On returning to Canada, his adopted country, he studied medicine, graduating in 1888 at Trinity and Toronto Universities, practicing successfully in Galt. The doctor has a genial smile and good word for everyone and has a warm place in the hearts of his fellows. Office and residence on Dickson street.

W. T. WALKER, Esq.

Principal traveller and representative of The Goldie & McCulloch Co., Ltd. Mr. Walker was born in Toronto in 1848. He has been identified with this firm since 1879. He was formerly a partner in the firm of Walker, Poole & Co., Toronto, engaged in the manufacture of engines, boilers, safes, etc. Mr. Walker has been a resident of Galt for nearly 20 years. Unassuming in his manner, yet he is always ready to help in time of need. No one has a stronger influence for good among his fellows than Mr. Walker.

JAMES CHISHOLM.

A genial "border Scot," conducting a high-class merchant tailoring establishment near the head of Main street. Mr. Chisholm has had a long and practical experience in high-class establishments in Edinburgh, Scotland, and in our own Queen City, Toronto, thus placing him in the front ranks. No better fit or style can be found than that given by Mr. Chisholm. He is president of the Scottish Borderers' Association of Canada.

H. S. HOWELL.

This gentleman was born in Galt in 1857. He has travelled extensively making a tour around the world in 1880. Mr. Howell is an author of considerable note, having written "An Island Paradise and Reminiscences of Travel," a wonderfully interesting book. He has been honored by being made an honorary member of the Yorick Club, of Melbourne, Australia; also a member of the Canadian Institute, Toronto, and Canadian Club, of Hamilton. He has the honor of being the first to agitate for a national Canadian flag.

JOHN KEYES

Carriage and wagon maker, occupies large and convenient premises on Ainslie street, and for 14 years has conducted a successful business. Mr. Keyes employs some 15 hands, and his goods are found now in almost every part of the Dominion.

PARKER & CO.,

General plumbers, gasfitters, etc. This firm has held the first rank in their special line since establishing their business in 1890. Mr. Parker brings with him a wide experience, thus securing the well-earned reputation. Good work and prompt attention to business is their motto. Works and office, North Water steeet.

CHARLES CUMMING

Is a prominent furniture dealer on the corner of Ainslie and Dickson streets, who for some ten years, has had marvellous success. To this business is added auctioneering, etc., also the agency of celebrated New Williams sewing machine. Mr. Cumming is a native of Galt, first seeing the light in 1853. He began to hustle then and is a hustler still.

G. H. TOLTON

Conducts a merchant tailoring and gents' furnishing establishment in the Buchanan Block, Main street, known as the Yellow Front. His stock comprises the newest and best in gents' furnishings, ready-made clothing, hats, caps, etc. The cutting department is in charge of Mr. J. Campbell, of Toronto. Mr. Tolton was born in Guelph in 1860, and began business in Galt in 1889, and to-day leads the trade.

"Costly thy habit, as thy purse can buy,
But not expressed in fancy, rich, not gaudy,
For the apparel oft proclaims the man."

R. FERRAH,

Chemist and druggist, occupies one of the finest stone structures on Main street. In connection with his extensive drug business, a very large book and stationery trade is carried on. Mr. Ferrah has built up a very lucrative business by his universal geniality and shrewd business tact. No one is more deserving of the success he has achieved than our estimable and enterprising citizen, R. Ferrah.

HARRY HANCOCK. IROQUOIS HOTEL. WILLIAM SADLER.

The Iroquois Hotel is a handsome new red brick with stone facings, situated at the head of Main Street, at the base of High Park; Hancock & Sadler, proprietors; two model hotel men who as "Mine Hosts" have few equals. The furnishings and all the fittings are new and up-to-date. There are some forty rooms, bright and airy, heated throughout by the best hot water system in existence. This of course is in keeping with the general features of the "Iroquois"—the best. Hancock & Sadler carry with them the essentials of first-class hosts—a hearty shake and a smiling welcome. Terms—$1.50 per day.

CENTRAL HOTEL, Main Street.

Wm. Cavers' Residence, East Main Street.

JOHN AHERN,

Chief of Police.

Chief Ahern is a man of experience in his special line. He served seven years on the St. Catharines police force and ten years in Galt. Mr. Ahern was born on the Isle of Wight in 1847 and spent the early years of his life as a seaman, having circumnavigated the globe several times. This has given him an experience which fits him well for his present position as Chief.

AARON ROOS,

Brunswick Billiard Room.

Mr. Roos, proprietor of the Brunswick Billard rooms in the Phoenix Block, Main street, has made arrangements to occupy larger and more commodious rooms in the new Iroquois Block where he will possess a palatial room. He proposes having 6 pool and 2 billard tables of the most superb make. Mr. Roos deserves the patronage of the lovers of the "tables."

F. G. HUGHES, L. D. S.

Mr. Hughes is one of those energetic and hustling young Canadians bound to succeed. He was born in Hawkesville, Waterloo County, in 1855. A graduate of the Royal College of Dentistry, he commenced practicing his profession here in 1880, and from the first has been very successful. His rooms are a palatial suite, magnificently furnished, and are in the Masonic Block, Main street.

H. F. MacKENDRICK, M. D.

This gentleman was born in Galt in 1866 and received his early education in our excellent town schools. The Dr. graduated at Toronto University and Trinity Medical College in 1893. His practice in Galt, his native town, manifests this fact, that the Dr. is popular. He is an enthusiastic canoeist, of which his many honors from the Canoe Association attest. He has one of the handsomest offices in Canada and it is situated on the corner of Ainslie and Dickson streets. All calls entrusted to him receive prompt attention.

CAVERS BROS.,

Nurserymen and Florists. Office on Main Street. Packing Grounds near head of Main Street. These gentlemen beginning a few years ago in a very small way have, by push, tact and principle, risen to an immense concern, employing about 125 agents covering the country from end to end. Their reputation is of the best and like their stock "will stand," and can be relied upon all the way through.

W. J. McMURTRY.

General Hardware, Stoves and Tinware, south Main Street. Phenomenal has been the rapid rise of this business. Opening up business in 1885 Mr. McMurtry has forged his way to the front. He also controls an extensive hardware business in St. Thomas. The additional trade in bicycles here and in St. Thomas adds materially to the popularity of this house.

WOODS & TAYLOR.

This firm's name has become a household word, being one of the oldest General Dry Goods, Tailoring, Millinery and House-Furnishing Establishments in Western Ontario. They succeeded Guggisburg Bros. in 1873, and on the retirement of Mr. Woods Mr. Taylor became sole proprietor, and upon no better shoulders could the mantle have fallen than on those of Mr. Taylor.

EDMUND SNELL, ESQ.

Few of our citizens have done more to build up Galt's reputation than Mr. Snell. An Englishman by birth, bringing with him the dominant qualities of "push, pluck and tact," which for more than 35 years has made him one of the most successful exporters of cattle, sheep, &c., in Ontario. During 1896 some 8,000 cattle and 8,000 sheep were shipped to the European markets. As a citizen Mr. Snell enjoys the confidence and esteem of his fellows in a high degree.

THE CENTRAL HOTEL.

John C. Caldwell, proprietor. This hostelry is located midway up Main Street, and is one of the original "stopping places" of "ye olden time," and yet no better or more comfortable quarters can the weary traveller find. Centrally situated, bright and homelike in all its appointments, furnished as it is with every modern improvement, the Central is "Voted" all right.

F. J. BROWN & SON,

Jewellers and wholesale dealers in Japanese Goods and Curios. Captain Brown, the senior member of the firm, is at present employed by the Japanese Steamship Company. The business here is conducted by Mr. Brown, junior, an expert in his special line. As an optician he stands high. Captain Brown has the honor of being the only living Canadian receiving at the hands of the Emperor of Japan the order of "The Sacred Treasury."

R. STRUTHERS.

For eighteen years or more this gentleman has conducted a first-class general Dry Goods trade, with marked success, near the corner of Main and Water Streets. And while many have come and gone this establishment moves on and on. Success came and remains. Mr. Struthers is a business gentleman of high standing and understands humanity enough to to serve them in such a manner as will surely please. As a citizen no one is better thought of.

J. McKINNON,

Merchant Tailor, &c., Main Street. There are none more progressive in their line of business than Mr. McKinnon, carrying a stock so varied and extensive, consisting of Gent's Furnishings, Hats and Caps, &c.; and one of the best to be found outside of Toronto. The Tailoring Department, being under his personal supervision, is a guarantee of perfect fit and style. Mr. McKinnon is a Canadian and a hustler. Success is his.

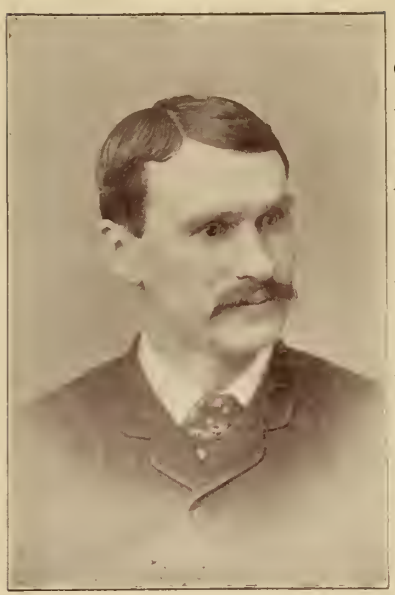
CHARLES ROOS,

Dealer in Boots and Shoes.

Mr. Roos conducts business on Main street and carries a first-class line of boots and shoes, trunks and valises, &c. For a quarter of a century he has conducted this business in a manner satisfactory to himself and his many customers. He commenced business in Preston in the year 1845 and finding a larger and better field here became one of our most progressive and respected citizens. Although a man of years, Mr. Roos is still active in his business pursuits.

M. S. McKAY,

Galt Woollen Mills.



M. S. McKay & Co., proprietors of the Galt Woollen Mills, conduct their business in a large factory situated on the corner of North Water and Queen streets. Their lines of goods are knitted shirts and drawers, woollen tweeds, &c. The reputation of this firm is very wide and of a high character. The establishment gives employment to a large number of hands.

J. C. WINDELL,

Merchant Tailor.

Nothing inferior is tolerated with Mr. Windell. He understands what it means to be possessed of first-class material. Having risen from the "ranks," Mr. Windell deserves much of that which he is achieving—success. He has a reputation, not only as a practical tailor, but as a business man and citizen. His garments turned out have that beauty and taste displayed that shows plainly that they have left the hands of a master mechanic. His store is in Dando's Block on Ainslie street.

W. D. CARD,

Barrister.

Mr. Card is a rising young Canadian. He was born in 1870 in the town of St. Marys, Ontario, and called to the Bar while yet in his minority, possessing in a high degree the qualities which go to make up the "legal light." Mr. Card began practice here in 1892 and has already gained a wide reputation in his well-chosen profession. His office is in the Imperial Block, South Water street.

Dr. MacKendrick's Residence, Ainslie Street.

Geo. Hancock's Residence, Beverly Street.

The Hardy Ophthalmometer,
Used only by N. B. Wilkins, Optician and Jeweler.

RICHARD BLAIN, ESQ.,

Has the distinguished honor of being one of Galt's pioneers. A native of the North of England, he emigrated to Canada and located in Galt in 1843, at once becoming identified with the milling business at that early day and period of Galt's history. Mr. Blain has always been held in high esteem by his fellow townsmen, as is shown by the municipal records where we find he has honorably filled the Mayor's chair five consecutive years and has held other important offices in the gift of the people. In his declining years he still enjoys the confidence of the public.

H. A. MATCHETT,

Dealer in Bankrupt Stocks and General Dry Goods.

The above business is carried on in T. A. Mara's old stand on Main St. and Mr. Matchett has the happy knack of suiting himself to the people's needs. The vast variety of his stock can only be understood when seen. Those who patronize him once are sure to return. With him every day is indeed a "Bargain Day."

The stand is one of the best in Galt and Mr. Matchett does a large business.

GALT LUMBER CO.

This company strikes the key note of success and is under the able management of Mr. Duncan Murray. Having commenced business in 1896, the Company is young but strong in finance and ability, and has for its president John Scott, Esq., one of the most popular and enterprising property owners of Galt. The output of the company last year was over 1,500,000 feet. Also large importations of red cedar shingles from British Columbia. This company merits the confidence of the public and enjoys it in a high degree.

GEORGE HANCOCK.

Has successfully conducted a cartage and dray business since 1872 which is constantly increasing. No one is more worthy the confidence placed in him than our mutual friend George, as we familiarly call him. A comparatively young man, yet his fellow townsmen have seen fit to confide in him the honor of placing him on the Council Board more than once.

JOHN W. TAYLOR.

Mr. Taylor is the Local Manager of the Bell Telephone Co. with his office in the Scott Block, North Water Street. This office is said to be one of the finest and best fitted in the Dominion. This is in keeping with Mr. Taylor, as he is one of our best and most progressive citizens. He is held in high esteem by his fellow townsmen, having been elected several terms to serve the town at the Council Board.

GEO. BERNHARDT.

This gentleman conducts a wholesale and retail wine and liquor business in the Opera House block, but in a few months will remove into his new and commodious premises in the "Iroquois" block, one of the handsomest and most complete places of business west of Toronto. Mr. Bernhardt has the reputation of conducting a large and increasing business. As a citizen he is always ready to help and promote the interests of Galt.

Edmund Snell's Residence, Park Avenue.

Mount View Cemetery, Galt.

N. B. WILKINS.

Mr. N. B. Wilkins, jeweller and optician, conducts one of the most extensive businesses in his particular line west of Toronto. Though a young man his experience and practical knowledge give him a prominent place as a jeweller and optician. His store and office is in the Gore Block, Main street.

EDWARD RADIGAN,

Conducting business as a first-class painter, paper-hanger and glazier on Dickson street. For a quarter of a century he has been a well-known and highly respected citizen of Galt. The many years experience he has had gives him a precedence over others. A workman beyond the common, and one of those "big souled" Irishmen we like to meet.

A. J. McPHERSON.

The town of Galt is to be congratulated in having Mr. McPherson as Town Engineer. As a gentleman of large experience and high scholastic attainments, he is well fitted for the position. He brings with him a wide experience from his travels and work in the Northwest. Mr. McPherson was our first waterworks superintendent. We all like Mac.

THOMAS KEACHIE,

Proprietor of the cab and 'bus lines of the town. Mr. Keachie is always ready to accommodate the public in storm or sunshine and has every requirement to meet the wants of his patrons. Of him the adage of "never missed a train" is true. He prides himself in personally attending to urgent calls and has handsome and comfortable rigs. His office is on the corner of Dickson and North Water streets and his residence Ann street.

CLAY BROTHERS.

As general grocers none are more worthy of success than Clay Bros. who have in a very short time gained the front rank in the grocery, crockery and glassware trade. They are successors of their father, W. P. Clay, who originally conducted the business. These young men are worthy the confidence of the people, as they keep the best goods ready cash can buy. Their store is on South Water street in the Imperial Block.

WALLACE & MOORE,

Hardware Merchants.

These young men are among our most energetic and enterprising business men. Mr. Moore as junior member of the firm is without question a young man born to succeed, and though scarcely beyond his majority, yet he stands in the front ranks. His general urbanity and genial spirit bring to Wallace & Moore much to make their large trade what it now is. The public will find their place of business in the new Buchanan block, Main Street, where customers like to come.

W. D. BROWN,

Fruits and Confectionery.

Mr. Brown delights himself in catering to the public's needs in this line, and for fifteen years has done it in royal style. His ice cream parlors are elegance itself, capable of seating comfortably over one hundred people at a time. While his ice cream is cool, he has mastered the art of giving a warm welcome to his guests. Indeed we could not dispense with the catering of Mr. Brown. His place of business is on Main Street, in the new Struthers' block.

W. Scott, Asst.-Chief G. F. B.

Jas. Curliss, Chief G. F. B.

Jno. Keyes, Sec'y G. F. B.

....Environs of Galt....

AMONG the many places accessible from Galt may be mentioned the following, any of which afford a pleasant drive and abound in beautiful scenery:

To Preston - - -	3½ miles	To Puslinch Lake - -	6 miles
" Berlin - - - -	12 "	" Petrifying Sps., G. River	2 "
" Guelph - - -	14 "	" The Doon Pinnacle -	6 "